QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

STARRED QUESTIONS

Agriculture

Output of seed potatoes from the Nanjanad seed farm.

- * 1803 Q.—Mr. V. I. Muniswami Pillai: Will the hon, the Minister for Development be pleased to state—
- (a) what is the total output of seed potatoes from the Nanjanad seed farm during the past three years;
- (b) how much seed was given out to depressed classes and Kotas, a section of the hill tribes, during these years; and
- (c) how many enquiries for seed were received from the Kotas during the current official year, and how they were dealt with?
 - A .- (a), (b) & (c) The Government have no information at hand.
- Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR:—" Will the Government be pleased to obtain the information?"
 - The hon, Mr. M. R. SETURATNAM AYYAR:—"We have called for the information and the report is awaited."

Redistribution of work between the Deputy and Assistant Directors of Agriculture.

*1804 Q.—Mr. A. B. Stretty: With reference to my question No. 436, answered on the 27th of August 1927, will the hon, the Minister for Development be pleased to lay on the table of the House the report the Government have received with regard to the redistribution of work between the Deputy and Assistant Directors of Agriculture?

A .- The report is appended.a

Co-operative Societies

The working of Adi-Dravida Co-operative Societies in Malabar.

- 1805 Q.—Mr. V. I. Muniswami Pillai: Will the hon, the Minister for Development be pleased to state—
- (a) whether it is a fact that in Malabar, Adi-Dravida Co-operative Societies are not working satisfactorily, and if so, whether the matter has received the attention of the Government; and
- (b) the number of Adi-Dravida Co-operative Societies, credit and non-oredit, in Malabar ?
 - A.—(a) & (b) The Government have no information but have called for a report.
- Mr. V. I. Muniswami Pillai:—"May I know, Sir, when the report will be available?"

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The hon. Mr. M. R. Seturatnam Ayyar:—" We expect to receive the report even to-day and as soon as the report is received, the question will be considered."

Medical

Separate wards for Adi-Dravida patients in the Women and Children Hospital, Calicut.

* 1806 Q.—Mr. V. I. Muniswami Pillai: Will the hon, the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state whether it is a fact that in the Women and Children Hospital, Calicut, Adi-Dravida patients are given separate wards in mean out-houses?

A.—The Government have no information and if any case of hardship is brought to the notice of Government, inquiries will be made.

Mr. V. I. Muniswam Pillai:—" Will the hon, the Minister be pleased to call for the information?"

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR:—"If the hon, Member gives one or two definite instances in which women of this class are not proporly treated, it will be easy for the Government to enquire."

Mr. V. I. Muniswami Pillai:—" My question is whether these women are put in separate wards."

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR: - "I shall call for the information."

Separation of the post of Principal, Medical College, from Superintendent, General Hospital, Madras.

* 1807 Q.—Mr. A. B. Sherry: Will the hon, the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(a) what led the Government some years ago to appoint two different officers, one as the Principal, Medical College, Madras, and the other as the Superintendent, General Hospital, Madras, in the place of one single officer who, as the Senior Medical Officer in the Hospital was its Superintendent and at the same time was Principal, Medical College, Madras;

(b) whether at that time the officer who was the Principal and also Senior Medical Officer was allowed private practice;

 (c) whether he was doing any professional work in the General Hospital apart from supervision and administrative control over the staff in the General Hospital;

 (d) whether the Superintendent, General Hospital, is now allowed to do professional work both in the hospital and outside in his private capacity;

(e) whether the Superintendent, General Hospital, exercises control over the physicians and surgeons in their professional as well as administrative work in the General Hospital;

(f) whether the Superintendent, General Hospital, is now doing the work of a First Surgeon, General Hospital, and the work of the First Surgeon is in any way different from the work of the other Surgeons in the General Hospital;